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> Draft Closure Plan Support Documentation for Re:

> > Hecla Mining Company's Apex Site Pond 2, St.

George, Utah

Dear John:

I am forwarding to you additional pre-decisional documents in the above-referenced matter illustrative of the level of consideration given to groundwater in performing the October 2001 site investigation and sampling analysis, and preparing the subsequent closure plan. These documents were previously provided to you by fax.

Sincerely,

Amy Swanson, Attorney

Legal Enforcement Program

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